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loss to know what he should do. "The fact is, Mrs. Van Twiller, I shall have to be going—at once."

"Going?" echoed his hostess in amazement. "Going? But my dear Nelson, this is preposterous! You belong to us this evening. It has been understood for a month."

"Yes—I hoped so—in fact—up to a short time ago," Nelson faltered; "but—Major Van Twiller wishes me to go—on a matter—on a matter in which refusal is impossible."

"Why, Merle, how inconsiderate!" expostulated Mrs. Van Twiller in her mild effective way. "I shall insist upon a different arrangement. Aileen and I depend almost entirely on Nelson for the spirit and success of the evening. You know he leads the cotillion. Really this is unreasonable. Your business certainly can wait for to-morrow."

"I would rather not postpone it, Mrs. Van Twiller," interposed Wooster. "If you will kindly express my regrets to Aileen—the question is one in which delay is out of the question."

Major Van Twiller had made no reply. Having hastily thrust his revolver out of sight, he stood there, staring fixedly at Wooster and rolling his long mustache to the size of a wire.

"Oh, come, my dear," said his wife a little impatiently, "this is inexcusable interference! What manner of business can you have to-night that will send Mr. Wooster posting off like this?"

Van Twiller drew down his overhanging brows in undisguised annoyance. There were reasons on reasons why he could not reveal to his wife what had been taking place. And yet he had ordered Wooster from his house as a thief and a traitor. The predicament in which he found himself was galling.

Once more Wooster answered in his stead. "The question is one of some privacy," he said. "It concerns me far more than it does Major Van Twiller."

"But no one transacts business at night," his hostess insisted. "We cannot permit you to go. It is entirely too late to make other arrangements. Merle, will you please tell Mr. Wooster that you wish him to remain, and attend your other affairs at a reasonable hour?"

"Can't you see that Nelson wishes to go?" asked her husband. He flinched at pronouncing Wooster's given name.

"He would say so to please you, I know," Mrs. Van Twiller replied. "I shall be very much vexed indeed if you insist upon this point. I wish him to stay. Will you please decide the question at once?" She leaned upon a chair and tapped her foot upon the floor impatiently.

"Well—Wooster—I wish you to stay!" commanded the Major sharply.

"Thank you, my dear," said his wife. "Now I wish you would kindly get me the diamonds from the safe."

Major Van Twiller stared for a moment

at his wife, then at the sinister iron box in the corner, and finally at Wooster, whose face was white and drawn. A new conception of the recent affair occurred to the Major's mind. He had failed to think of the diamonds in the safe before, as they nearly always were kept in a down-town safe-deposit for the absolute security that was not afforded here.

It all broke upon him clearly. Wooster had forced the safe for the necklace. Unquestionably the stones were now in his pocket. The perspiration broke out on the Major's brow, not only at the reflection of how near he had been to ordering Wooster to begone with the jewels, but also at a sudden thought of the new and exceedingly disagreeable turn to which he looked forward the moment the safe should be opened, revealing the absence of the diamonds. What he would do then, he could not for the life of him determine.

All of this went flashing through his mind in the briefest time. Then a scheme, at once generous and strategic, suggested itself to his ingenuity. He would give Wooster one fair chance to restore the stones. It would save everything—for the moment at least—and the thief could be dealt with later, in a manner no less thorough for the slight delay.

"Nelson," he said, "just open the safe for me, will you please? I don't see very well by gas-light. This is the key to the inside door. The combination is 2-16-11-4."

That Wooster would grasp at this opportunity to smuggle the necklace from his pocket and pretend to take it from the box, the older man had not the slightest doubt.

"I—I think—I would rather you would open the safe yourself," said Nelson, his heart beating fearfully at the mere thought of again approaching that loathsome lump of iron in the corner. "I—never like to know any private combinations. You will excuse me, please."

"Oh, give the key to me! You keep me waiting interminably!" said Mrs. Van Twiller. Taking the key from her husband, she went to the safe, and kneeling on the floor manipulated the knob with a practised hand.

Glaring at Wooster, whose attitude was now wholly inexplicable to his mind, still convinced as he was of the younger man's guilty possession of the necklace, Van Twiller was disconcerted by the pained but fearless look that met his gaze.

A moment later his astonishment suddenly increased. With a noisy bang the hostess closed the iron door. Her husband turned and beheld the glint of the diamonds she held in her hand.

With a tiny, inaudible gasp of relief, Aileen retreated from her place behind the curtain, and fled up-stairs, to join the guests assembled there to dance.

[To be continued next Sunday]

## SHREDS AND PATCHES

By Nixon Waterman

### A STOCK-BROKER'S TERM

"Why do they 'water' stock, my dear?" the little wife inquired. The husband who, of just that kind, had more than he desired, said: "There are several reasons which they offer; but to me it's plain they water it to 'soak' investors; don't you see?"

### A COMMON FAILING

"Yes, he's a very nice young man, but always talking shop," the pouting miss protested, "and I cannot make him stop; For he's a car conductor, and while calling on me he's Persistently remarking: 'Won't you sit up closer, please?'"

### SCIENCE REFUTED

They tell us sound will travel seven hundred miles an hour; But we have known a yowling cat of wondrous vocal power To perch himself on our back fence and through the liveliest night Make sound enough to wake the dead; but travel?—not a mite.

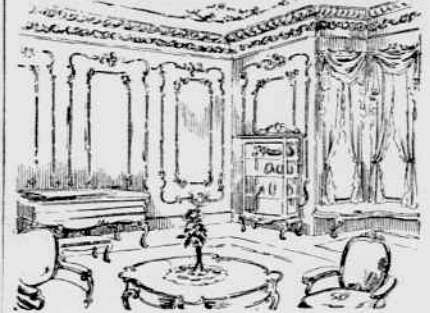
### A HAPPY TIME

When the reckless youth, with bills unpaid, Succeeds by much persuasion In having his debts by his pa O.K'd, He deems it a glad o-k-sion.

### A WRONG INFERENCE

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